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FOR SECRETARY FROM AMBASSADOR

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SUBJ: SIAD AGREES TO PRESIDENT CARTER'S PROPOSALS

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1. SIAD SUMMONED ME AT 0200 HOURS LOCAL. HE ASKED ME TO INFORM PRESIDENT CARTER THAT HE ACCEPTS THE PROPOSALS CONTAINED IN REFTEL. A PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT WILL BE MADE LATER TODAY AFTER FORMAL MEETING OF ALL MEMBERS OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE. INSTRUCTIONS HAVE ALREADY BEEN ISSUED TO ALL SOMALI NATIONAL ARMY UNITS TO WITHDRAW.

2. SPEAKING PERSONALLY SIAD SAID HE CANNOT NOW PREDICT WHAT CONSEQUENCES THIS DECISION WILL HAVE FOR HIM PERSONALLY OR THE GOVERNMENT. BUT OF ONE THING HE WAS ABSOLUTELY SURE: THE SOVIETS WOULD WASTE NO TIME IN ATTEMPTING BY WHATEVER MEANS TO RETURN TO SOMALIA. CONTINUING SIAD SAID HE WAS PERSONALLY SHOCKED AND DISAPPOINTED AT THE LANGUAGE OF THE LAST PARAGRAPH OF THE PROPOSALS BUT NEVERTHELESS HE ACCEPTED IT. HE ADMITTED RELUCTANTLY THAT HIS FAITH IN THE PRESIDENT'S ABILITIES TO CARRY OUT THE UNDER-
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TAKINGS CONTAINED IN REFTEL WAS WEAK NEVERTHELESS HE ASKED ME TO IMPLORE THE PRESIDENT NOT TO DISAPPOINT HIM.

3. I ASKED THE PRESIDENT SPECIFICALLY WHAT FORCES WOULD BE WITHDRAWN. HE REPLIED: ALL FORCES OF THE SOMALI NATIONAL ARMY WHO HAD VOLUNTEERED TO AID THEIR SOMALI BROTHERS AND FAMILIES IN THE DISPUTED AREA. AS TO THE WSLF AND ALF LIBERATION FORCES

SIAD SAID I DO NOT NOW NOR HAVE I EVER HAD CONTROL OVER SOMALIS
FIGHTING FOR THEIR HUMAN RIGHTS AND SELF DETERMINATION AGAINST
THEIR COLONIAL MASTERS.
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